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AMENDMENT

Applicants hereby respond to the Office action dated October 3, 2002. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 28 and 29 without prejudice, and amend claims 1, 21-24, and 26 as follows:

a1 1. (Amended) An optical stack, comprising:
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an (unsupported) intrinsic polarizer having a first surface, the intrinsic polarizer lacking a protective coating thereon; and
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a first optically functional coating disposed on the first surface of the intrinsic polarizer.

a2 21. (Amended) An optical stack comprising an unsupported intrinsic polarizer lacking a protective coating thereon and an optically functional coating, wherein the thickness of the optical stack is less than 25 microns.